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re U.S. Patent No. 6,425,401

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Inventor: Jonnie R. Williams

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For: METHOD OF TREATING TOBACCO TO REDUCE NITROSAMINE CONTENT, AND  
PRODUCTS PRODUCED THEREBY

REQUEST FOR CERTIFICATE OF CORRECTION

Certificate

Honorable Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks  
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of Correction

Sir:

Pursuant to 35 U.S.C. § 254 and 37 C.F.R. § 1.322, this is a request for the issuance of a Certificate of Correction in the above-identified patent. Two (2) copies of PTO Form 1050 are appended. The complete Certificate of Correction involves two (2) pages.

The mistakes identified in the appended Form occurred through no fault of the Applicant, as clearly disclosed by the records of the application, which matured into this patent. Enclosed for your convenience are the relevant portions of the Amendment filed September 25, 2002, and the Specification filed September 25, 2002.

Issuance of the Certificate of Correction containing the corrections is respectfully requested. Since these changes are necessitated through no fault of the Applicant, no fee is believed to be associated with this request. Nonetheless, should the Patent and Trademark Office determine that a fee is required, please charge our Deposit Account No. 19-0733.

Respectfully submitted,

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Column 1,

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Line 39, "Wiemik et al" has been replaced with --Wiernik et al--.

Column 2,

Lines 50 and 52, "Wiemik et al" has been replaced with --Wiernik et al--.

Column 4,

Line 63, "N'-nitrosoanatabine" has been replaced with --N'-nitrosoanabasine--.

Column 5,

Line 53, "N'-nitrosoanatabine" has been replaced with --N'-nitrosoanabasine--.

Column 6,

Line 42, "variety" has been replaced with --varietal--.

Column 7,

Line 38, "th e" has been replaced with --the--.

Column 9,

Line 59, "arc" has been replaced with --are--,

Line 65, "N'-nitrosoanatabine" has been replaced with --N'-nitrosoanabasine--.

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Column 13,

Line 5, "leaf" has been replaced with --leaf--,

Line 24, "the" has been replaced with --this--,

Line 27, "A" has been replaced with --a--,

Line 45, "a bout" has been replaced with --about--.

Column 16,

Line 2, "N'-nitrosoanatabine" has been replaced with --N'-nitrosoanabasine--.

Column 19,

Line 27, "bar" has been replaced with --barn--.

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Column 10,

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Column 13,

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Line 45, "a bout" has been replaced with -- about --.

Column 16,

Line 2, "N'-nitrosoanatabine" second occurrence has been replaced with -- N'-nitrosoanabasine --.

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Column 19,

Line 27, "bar" has been replaced with -- barn --.

Signed and Sealed this

First Day of April, 2003

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*Director of the United States Patent and Trademark Office*

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Column 24,

Line 14, after "controlled environment comprises," insert the following -- air free of combustion exhaust gases and --.

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Twenty-fourth Day of September, 2002

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A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "James E. Rogan", written over a horizontal line.

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*Note*  
At column 24, line 14 (~~claim 53~~), after "controlled environment comprises," ~~the following was inserted:~~ --air free of combustion exhaust gases and--.  
*insert the following:*

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